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Workshop on “EPA’s Multi-Sector General Permit for Stormwater”

The Alaska Department of Environmental Conservation (ADEC) and the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) are hosting free informational workshops to discuss the new Multi-Sector General Permit (MSGP-2008) for Stormwater Discharges from industrial activities. The workshop will be held in Anchorage, March 26, and in Fairbanks March 27. For the rest of the state there will be a call-in workshop on March 25.

Description of Workshop

On Feb. 26, 2009, EPA issued the Multi-Sector General Permit for Stormwater Discharges associated with Industrial Activities for Alaska. The MSGP-2008 includes requirements affecting 29 different industrial sectors. The MSGP-2008 specifies steps that facility operators must take prior to becoming eligible for permit coverage, including submitting a Notice of Intent (NOI), installing stormwater control measures to minimize pollutants in stormwater runoff, and developing a stormwater pollution prevention plan (SWPPP). The MSGP-2008 also includes effluent limits, monitoring, inspection, reporting requirements, and corrective action requirements. The deadline for operators to submit a NOI under the MSGP-2008 is May 27, 2009. Facilities in Alaska need to look at three websites to read the permit and additional conditions for facilities in Alaska. First, read the permit Parts 1 through 8 of the MSGP-2008 and Appendices A, B, & D-K <http://www.epa.gov/npdes/stormwater/msgp>. Second, read Part 9.10 of the MSGP-2008 that is updated to include additional permit conditions for Alaska http://www.epa.gov/npdes/pubs/msgp2008_part9.pdf. Third, read Appendix C which is updated to reflect permit availability in Alaska http://epa.gov/npdes/pubs/msgp2008_appendixc.pdf.

The workshops will give an overview of the new permit, how to submit a notice of intent, an overview of a stormwater pollution prevention plan, and designated time to answer questions. The presentation materials can be viewed at ADEC’s website for industrial stormwater <http://www.dec.alaska.gov/water/wnpspc/stormwater/stormwater.htm> after March 20. For people listening to the call-in on March 25th we recommend that you download from the ADEC website the presentation materials to use them during the call-in.

Dates of Workshop and Locations:

March 25, 2009: Call-in line –1-800-315-6338 at the prompt enter code 6283#, 1 p.m. to 5 p.m.
March 26, 2009: Anchorage –Sheraton Hotel, Yukon Room, 8 a.m. to noon
March 27, 2009: Fairbanks – Westmark Hotel, Yukon Room, 8 a.m. to noon

Course Registration and Fees:

There is no registration or course fee. The cost of this workshop is being paid for by ADEC and the EPA.

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